



**Combined Declaration For Patent Application and
Power of Attorney**

Practitioner's Docket No. **IN-5474**

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **COATING COMPOSITION HAVING LOW VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTENT**

The specification of which (check only one item below):

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application is accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

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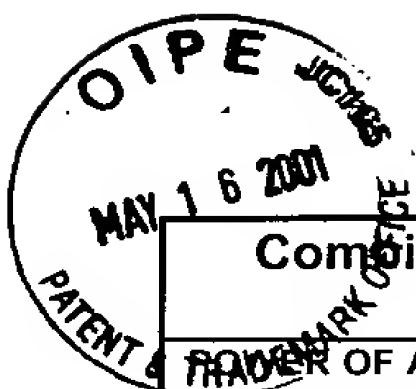
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. § 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Sec. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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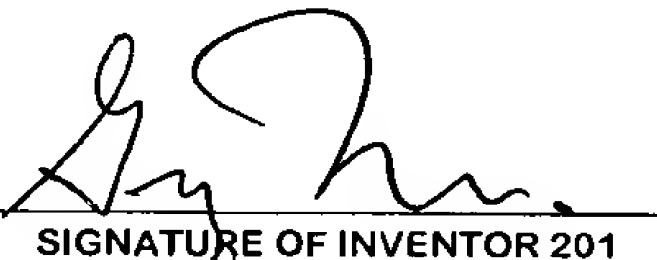
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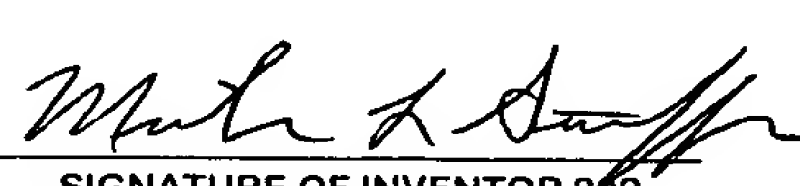
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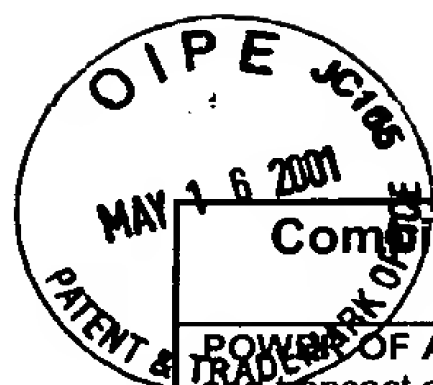
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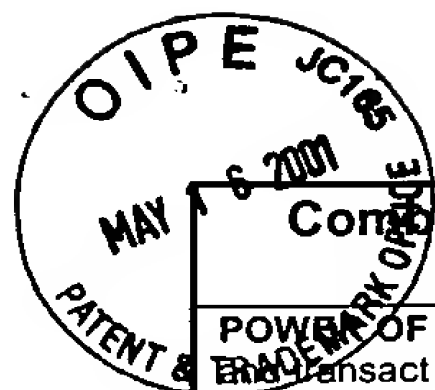
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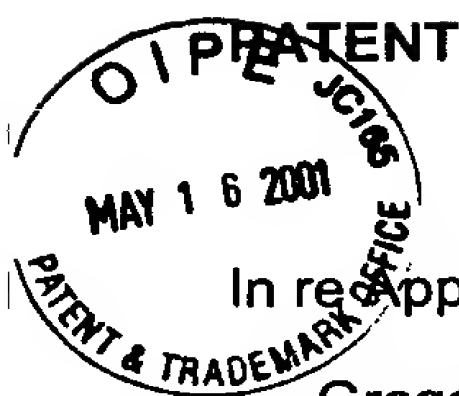
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Marjorie Ellis

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS-
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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith is the original fully executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-mentioned patent application. Please charge to Deposit Account No. 23-3425 the Surcharge fee of \$130.00 for late filing of the original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Furthermore, if the fee submitted herewith is deemed to be deficient or over in any amount, please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 23-3425 in the amount of the deficiency.

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